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BRAZIL.

Sanitary reports from Rio de Janeiro.

RIO DE JANEIRO, *August 10, 1898.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit to you the official report for the week ended July 29. There were 271 deaths from all causes, an increase of 30 as compared with the foregoing week; 6 deaths from *accessio perniciosa*, the same as before; 13 deaths from yellow fever, the same as before; 1 death from typhoid fever, a decrease of 1; 5 deaths from beriberi, an increase of 3, and 40 deaths from tuberculosis, an increase of 15.

There occurred during the week ended August 5, 270 deaths from all causes, 3 deaths from *accessio perniciosa*, 7 deaths from yellow fever, 13 deaths from different fevers, and 2 deaths from beriberi.

The state of health at Rio de Janeiro remains more or less in the same condition as before. The scarcity of rain continues and yellow fever persists, although it shows a decrease.

Since last report the following-named ships have been inspected and received bills of health from this office: August 2, steamship *Pembridge*, British, for Port Eads; August 4, steamship *Etona*, British, for New York; bark *Louise*, Norwegian, for Mobile; steamship *Galileo*, Belgian, for New York. August 5, bark *Leonore*, Portuguese, for New Orleans; steamship *Fulwell*, British, for Galveston. August 6, ship *America*, Portuguese, for New Orleans.

Respectfully, yours,

W. HAVELBURG, M. D.,
Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.

CHINA.

Quarantine against Hongkong.

CONSULATE-GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES,
Shanghai, China, July 16, 1898.

SIR: Referring to my No. 62 of March 25, I have to report that the Taotai of Shanghai and the consular body have declared terminated the quarantine of vessels coming from Hongkong and Canton to this port.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

JOHN GOODNOW,
Consul-General.

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

Plague in Hongkong.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, *August 17, 1898.*

SIR: I have the honor to forward for your information the subjoined summary statement of the occurrence and mortality of plague in Hongkong from January 1 to July 8, when it practically ceased to be epidemic. This report I have received from official sources, and it is to be relied upon.